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## FOLLOW UP TO PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT RESULTING FROM FAILURE TO RECEIVE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181

On October 18, 2006 we filed a Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment Resulting from failure to Receive Notice of Allowance and Statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.181. A copy is attached as Exhibit 1.

On March 21, 2007 we filed a Follow-up Petition since we had received no reply to our previous request. A copy is attached as Exhibit 2.

Patricia Faison-Ball of the United States Patent Office of Petitions granted our Petition on April 20, 2007 and was received by our office on April 25, 2007. A copy attached as Exhibit 3.

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On May 8, 2007 our office received a "Corrected Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due"

notice which did not contain an Issue Fee Transmittal form and still has a due date of September

6, 2006. A copy is attached as Exhibit 4. Obviously, we cannot meet the due date of September

6, 2006 and if we could, we would still need an Issue Fee Transmittal form.

Applicants request that a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Transmittal Form, redated to

the mailing date of the United States Patent and Trademark Office response to this

communication, be resent. Applicants further request that a copy of the Notice of Allowance and

Issue Fee Transmittal be faxed to the undersigned at 212 259-2546.

Applicants do not believe that any fee is required in connection with the submission of

this document. However, should any additional fee be required, or if any overpayment has been

made, the commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, or credit any overpayments

made, to Deposit Account No. 02-4377.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

We have received a Notice of Abandonment (copy enclosed) in this case for "Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee." The USPTO had apparently mailed a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due on June 6, 2006 as now seen on PAIR.

Unfortunately, applicants' attorneys of record, Baker Botts L.L.P., did not receive the Notice of Allowance and, therefore, could not timely pay the fees due. In accordance with M.P.E.P. Section 711.03(c) II, applicants' undersigned counsel hereby attests that we have

searched the file jacket and the docket records of this office and have been unable to uncover any indication that the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due ever received.

A printout of the pertinent portions of the computer e-mail list of the Baker Botts employee, who receives, dockets, and forwards e-copies of incoming PTO paper mail to attorneys within Baker Botts, is appended hereto as Exhibit 1. The Exhibit lists all e-copied incoming PTO mail for our client "006340", for the period 5/30/2006 to 10/17/2006. The printout shows no entry for client-matter number 066340.0176 or Attorney Docket No. A35976 corresponding the above-identified application.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were make with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Applicants request the holding of abandonment of the application be withdrawn and a copy of the Notice of Allowance, redated to the mailing date of the PTO's response to this communication, be resent. Applicants further request that a copy of the Notice of Allowance be faxed to the undersigned at 212-259-2414.

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Respectfully submitted,

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# FOLLOW UP TO PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT RESULTING FROM FAILURE TO RECEIVE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181

The attached Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment Resulting from Failure to Receive Notice of Allowance and Statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.181 was faxed to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 18, 2006. As of this date we have received no reply.

Applicants request that the holding of abandonment of the application be withdrawn and a copy of the Notice of Allowance, redated to the mailing date of the United States Patent and Trademark Office response to this communication be resent. Applicants further request that a copy of the Notice of Allowance be faxed to the undersigned at 212 259-2546.

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In re Application of Percy Heger et al. Application No. 10/656,353 Filed: September 5, 2003 Attorney Docket No. A35976 BAKER BOTTS LLP

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This is a decision on the petition filed October 18; 2006 and resubmitted March 21, 2007, to withdraw the holding of abandonment, which is treated under 37 CFR 1.181(b), in accordance with the reasoning of the decision in Delgar Inc. v. Schuyler, 172 USPQ 513.

## The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to pay the issue fee on or before September 6, 2006 as was required by the Notice of Allowance mailed June 6, 2006. This application therefore became abandoned on September 7, 2006. Accordingly, a Notice of Abandonment was mailed October 9, 2006.

The file record discloses that the Notice of Allowance was mailed to the address of record, the same address to which the Notice of Abandonment was mailed and received by the petitioner. However, petitioner contends that the Notice of Allowance was not received. In support, petitioner indicates that a search of the file jacket revealed that the Notice was not received and submits copies of pages from the docketing system, wherein receipt of the Notice would have been entered, had it been received to substantiate the claim. The statement and attachments corroborate nonreceipt of the Notice of Allowance.

In view of the facts set forth in the petition, it is concluded that the Notice of Allowance was never received. Accordingly, the holding of abandonment is withdrawn. No petition fee is due and none will be charged.

This application is being forwarded to the Technology Center 1765 for a remailing of the Notice of Allowance and Notice of Allowability.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned

Petitions Attorney at (571) 272-3212.

Patricia Faison-Ball Senior Petitions Attorney Office of Petitions



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## **CORRECTED** NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE

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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE END POINT FOR A CLEANING ETCHING PROCESS

APPLN. TYPE SMALL ENTITY ISSUE FEE **PUBLICATION FEE** TOTAL FEE(S) DUE DATE DUE nonprovisional NO \$1400 \$300 \$1700 09/06/2006

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED. NEITHER A NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE NOR A CORRECTED NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND ANY PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN <u>THE THREE MONTH PERIOD</u> BEGINNING ON THE MAILING DATE OF THE PREVIOUSLY-MAILED NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND ENDING ON THE DATE DUE SHOWN ON THIS FORM, OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED. SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. MAILING OF THIS CORRECTED NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE DOES NOT CHANGE THE DATE DUE OF THE ISSUE FEE (AND ANY REQUIRED PUBLICATION FEE). IF A REPLY (WITH PAYMENT OF THE ISSUE FEE AND ANY PUBLICATION FEE) WAS FILED IN RESPONSE TO THE PREVIOUSLY-MAILED NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE HEN NO FURTHER REPLY IS REQUIRED FROM APPLICANT.

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## Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 203 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 203 day(s).

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

Applicant will be able to obtain more detailed information by accessing the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) WEB site (http://pair.uspto.gov).

Any questions regarding the Patent Term Extension or Adjustment determination should be directed to the Office of Patent Legal Administration at (571) 272-7702. Questions relating to issue and publication fee payments should be directed to the Customer Service Center of the Office of Patent Publication at (703) 305-8283.

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